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Ms. Robin Kelly, Reports Analyst Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

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Dear Ms. Kelly:

Please find enclosed an amended report which provides the additional and/or corrected information you requested in the first two questions of your letter dated May 23, 2000.

With respect the third and final question, allow me to clarify how we are reporting loans to the committee made by the candidate. There are times when the committee and /or candidate purchases materials or services and the vendor will not accept a check nor bill the committee. Other times the committee and/or candidate does not have access to the checkbook when a service or material is being purchased and the vendor will not bill the committee. On these occasions, the candidate purchases these materials/services with his personal funds. The transaction is listed as a loan made by the candidate on Line 13(a), not a contribution, because it isn't a contribution. We also list it as a debt owed by the committee on Schedule C. We list the vendor and the purpose of the expenditure on Schedule B supporting line 17.

We are providing all of the information you are requesting on our report. If we were to report the loans the way you have suggested, our software would not correctly show the debts owed by the committee because they would be entered as contributions instead of loans. We are using Aristotle's Campaign Manager, which is approved by the FEC and we are reporting the information as instructed by the software. Reporting the information the way you are suggesting will not create any additional disclosure, as we are already disclosing all of the requested information, but it will wreck havoc on our software.

I hope that this explanation clarifies and addresses your concerns. It is my understanding that Congressman Doyle spoke with you personally regarding this matter. If you have any questions or need additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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